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## Deadline Extended for Public Comment on Ashley River Crossing Project

**Charleston, S.C.**—The city of Charleston has extended the deadline for public comment on the Ashley River Crossing project, a bicycle and pedestrian bridge that will connect West Ashley and downtown Charleston.

Citizens can now share their feedback via the project website, <u>www.ashleyrivercrossing.com/</u>, through Monday, May 17, 2021.

**Why it matters:** With nearly half of all city of Charleston residents residing in West Ashley, a safe connection to the Peninsula is needed for both bicyclists and pedestrians.

By connecting these areas, the Ashley River Crossing project seeks to increase access to jobs, schools and other critical amenities for residents and visitors alike.

**About the project:** The Ashley River Crossing is a separated bike path and stand-alone bridge that will originate at the end of the West Ashley Greenway and cross the Ashley River, connecting bicyclist and pedestrians to downtown Charleston. The new bridge will also provide a safe connection between the West Ashley Greenway, Brittlebank Park and the Ashley River Walk.

In addition to construction of the bridge, this project includes improvements at key intersections along the West Ashley Greenway, and at the Bee Street and Lockwood Drive intersection on the Peninsula. The project will also make improvements to the West Ashley Greenway crosswalk at Wappoo Road.

To view these improvements in further detail, please view the map at <a href="https://www.ashleyrivercrossing.com/meeting/">www.ashleyrivercrossing.com/meeting/</a>.

**How to participate:** Citizens can submit feedback through May 17 by visiting the online public meeting, which can be accessed at the project website, <a href="www.ashleyrivercrossing.com/">www.ashleyrivercrossing.com/</a>.

Designs for the project are currently being developed. Feedback received during the online public comment period will help inform the project team of design elements to consider.

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